



Regular Board Meeting
Sisters School District Office
May 1, 2024 at 6:00pm

MEETING MINUTES

ATTENDEES

Board	Jenica Cogdill, Edie Jones, Asa Sarver, Jeff Smith, David Thorsett
Student Representative	Holly Davis
Superintendent	Curt Scholl
Administrators	Tim Roth, Lorna Van Geem, Joan Warburg
Supervisors	Joe Hosang, Sherry Joseph, Todd Pilch
Board Secretary	Amy Bionda

CALL TO ORDER / FLAG SALUTE

Call to Order **David Thorsett** called the Regular Board Meeting to order at **6:05pm**.

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA / ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Amendments Under Administrative Reports, Steve Stancliff is absent and will not present High School report. Lorna will not present a Special Programs report, but is available for questions.

Edie moved and Asa seconded that the Board adopt the 2024-05-01 Regular Board Meeting Agenda with the above amendments. Vote was unanimous in favor. Motion passed 5-0.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

None

BUSINESS / FINANCE REPORTS

Revenue / Expenditures **Sherry Joseph** shared the 2024-05-01 General Fund Report and the 2024-05-01 General Fund Projected vs Actual Report. Sherry explained that the “actual” was currently a bit higher than “projected”, as there is a lag time at the HDES for the billing of substitute teachers. Sherry asked the Board if they had any questions. No questions were asked.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS / QUESTIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elementary School **Joan Warburg** shared that the process for selecting a new math curriculum for the Middle School is nearly complete. With a math curriculum that dates back to 2014, it has been noted that teachers are currently doing more augmentation than implementation. The objective is to select a tool that is aligned with today’s standards, to enable teachers to best support students following specifically defined criteria. A team of administrators and math teachers from the Middle School, as well as the High School and Elementary School were involved in the first process of defining the actual selection

criteria. Five publishers were selected, and after a more in-depth review, two curriculums were chosen to test as pilots. The final choice will be available for public review for several weeks at the District Office. The new curriculum is targeted to be adopted in June, so that it will be in place for the start of the new school year. Joan also mentioned the integration of the Seal of Biliteracy, in which five students are currently pursuing, as well as four students that have successfully passed the English Language Proficiency Exam.

Middle School

Tim Roth shared the data from the Ds and Fs performance target report, in which there has been an overall decrease in the number of Ds and Fs in the second trimester at the Middle School. Some of the positive contributing factors are thought to be individual student goal-setting exercises, intervention classes, after-school homework sessions, and high yield AVID trainings for staff. However, the data shows that work still needs to be done, especially for those students identified with low socioeconomic status.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Enrollment Report

Curt Scholl shared that enrollment numbers were up again. He mentioned the closing of the Wellhouse Academy and provided thoughts on how that may impact our enrollment numbers.

Bond Update

Curt Scholl shared that there will be a tour of the new Elementary School set up for the Bond Oversight Committee for the end of May. Move in is still planned for June 24th with the keys actually being turned over on July 15th. Due to the move, the location of summer school is still being discussed. He also mentioned that he is petitioning again for a reader board at the school campus.

Workforce Housing Update

Curt Scholl shared that one contract has been awarded and the second is still in question. There will need to be conversations on how we might proceed with workforce housing in the future.

Parks & Rec Collaboration Update

Curt Scholl shared that SPRD is set to move into the current Elementary school on July 1st. Conversations are still underway with Treehouse Therapies.

BOARD BUSINESS

SSD HDES Board Rep Candidate

David Thorsett presented Emily Stukel as the candidate to represent SSD on the HDES School Board. With an extensive background in education, Emily is passionate about serving students and her community, and looks forward to an opportunity to serve on the HDES school board.

Jeff moved and Edie seconded that the Board approve Emily Stukel as the SSD representative to the HDES school board. Vote was unanimous in favor. Motion passed 5-0.

Recess

Dave Thorsett declared recess of the Regular Board Meeting at **7:07pm**.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Call to Order

Dave Thorsett declared in the Executive Session: Superintendent Evaluation at **7:27pm**.

Executive Session

The Board discussed Curt Scholl's job performance as a Superintendent of Sisters School District.

Adjourn

Dave Thorsett declared the Executive Session adjourned at **8:12pm**.

Reconvene

Dave Thorsett declared the Regular Board Meeting reconvened at **8:15pm**.

CONSENT AGENDA

Meeting Minutes

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